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Jesus Is A Lifeboat

Trauma from the past, damaged emotions. Memories of abuse, mistreatment, neglect, abandonment. Spiritual abuse (being brought up in oppressive/false doctrine/controlling religious environments, not under the true authority of the Bible, but rather under the abusive dark blanket of man-made false doctrines)...is often overlooked, but it's just as damaging as physical, and other forms of abuse. As if these things weren't bad enough, they also open the door to worse things, spiritually speaking.

When we are abused as children, it sets us up for lots more bad things in life, like a never ending spiral of doom, like a perpetual chain of despair. Left unchecked, we ourselves become abusers, of ourselves, other people, and in turn, our own children.

Where does it end? How are the chain links broken? How can you heal a tarnished mind? Who can reach in, and repair the unseen wounds? Who can heal the trauma of our past? Who can soothe our souls, and give us a new heart, and renew our minds? Who can heal our skewed outlooks, our messed up perspectives, and our broken methods of functioning?

Who can clean up our utterly darkened and diseased minds?

Jesus Christ, the King! He can heal us of every infirmity, of body, mind, emotions. He's willing and able.

On this earth, we are all thrown into the sea, a sea filled with vicious sharks and stinging jellyfish. We can only tread water on our own for so long, before we start to sink.

Beside each of us, maybe a few feet away it seems, is a small lifeboat. It floats there, and it has your name on it. Printed on the side is "SS Jesus Christ". It's been there all along.

Swim to it. You have to go to it. It's there, but it will not force itself on you, or make you climb in. It's not too far away, but you have to make the effort to go to it. When you do, climb in. You will find safety and rest, in this lifeboat.

The sharks will continue to swarm around and beneath you, waiting for you to fall out, and the jellyfish will wait for another chance to entangle you and sting you with their tentacles. But in the lifeboat, you remain safe.

Rest, and in time, the lifeboat will float to a larger ship, where you will be brought aboard, cleaned up, given new clothes and fed. You will be guarded, while you are learning about the King.

He will meet ALL of your needs, and heal you of every unseen, hidden wound, and all forms of damage, in your mind and emotions.

We must seek Him for true healing in this dark world. Other people, doctors, counselors, and books can only help so much. But with Jesus, we can be healed ALL THE WAY, fully, completely.

If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed.
John 8:36

The world holds nothing for us to hold on to. There's nothing - no person or thing or situation - that will not falter, or change. But Jesus is our rock, and He never changes. He's the only One that we can safely hold on to.

And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever.

1 John 2:17

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